

# Definitions

# Types

## Simple

- A botanist is a person who studies plants
- A school is a place where people learn
- A barometer is an instrument to measure air pressure

## Academic

- Saliva is a digestive secretion affecting food in the mouth
- Plastics are substances made with chains of carbon

## Extended

- Pscychology may be defined as a branch of biologicalscience which studies the phenomena of conscious life

# Simple Definition : Form

- Word to be defined + to be (present) + General class  
word + wh word + specific features

# Mistakes with simple definitions

Foregetting  
General class  
word

- A certificate is given to a student when he graduates.

Giving Examples

- A scientist is like Luis Pasteur.

Using a word  
derived from the  
defined word

- A Lecturer is a person who lectures.

# Academic Definitions

- An ammeter is an instrument which is used to measure electric current.

- Demography is the science which deals with Populations growth and its structure.

# Other Useful Expressions

- X is the .... Concerned with/ deals with/ related to/  
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